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4. Document(s) to be amended Description and Claims

5. Contents to be amended (as per attached sheets)

- (1) The lines 7 to 17 of the original Description (corresponding to line 19, page 3 to line 7, page 4 of the English translation of the Description) was amended to the lines 7 to 15 of the new page 3 (corresponding to line 18, page 3 to line 4, page 4 of the English translation of the Amended Sheet).
- (2) "a joint treating material which is the above hyaluronic acid compound of the present invention" at line 4, page 4 of the original Description (corresponding to lines 18 and 19, page 4 of the English translation of the Description) was amended to lines 5 to 14 of the new page 4 (corresponding to line 15, page 4 to line 2, page 5 of the English translation of the Amended Sheet).
- (3) The lines 10 to 25, page 4 of the original Description (corresponding to the line 27, page 4 to line 18, page 5 of the English translation of the Description) was amended to line 20, page 4 to line 20, page 4/1 of the new pages (corresponding to line 10, page 5 to line 4, page 5/1 of the English translation of the Amended Sheet).
- (4) The lines 2 to 12, page 16 of the original claims (corresponding to the lines 2 to 18, page 18 of the English translation of the claims) was amended to lines 2 to 12, page 16 of the new page (corresponding to lines 2 to 12, page 19 of the English translation of the Amended Sheet).
- (5) "two R¹CO-'s in the formula (1)-a" of claim 3 (corresponding

to the line 24, page 18 of the English translation of the original claims) was amended to "two R⁰¹CO-'s in the formula (1)'-a" of the amended claim 3 (corresponding to the line 18, page 18 of the English translation of the Amended Sheet).

- (6) Claim 6 of the page 17 (corresponding to claim 6 at the page 19 of the English translation of the original claims) was amended to the amended claim 6 (corresponding to the lines 1 to 14, page 19 of the English translation of the Amended Sheet).
- (7) "of claim 1" of the claim 8 at page 17 (corresponding to line 9, page 19 of the English translation of the original claims) was amended to "represented by the above formula (1)" of the amended claim 8 (corresponding to line 20, page 19 of the English translation of the Amended Sheet).

6. Attached Sheets

- (1) new pages 3, 4 and 4/1 of the Japanese PCT Description (corresponding to pages 3, 4, 5 and 5/1 of the English translation)
- (2) pages 16 and 17 of the Japanese PCT Claims (corresponding to pages 18 and 19 of the English translation)